

## AGENDA



Thursday, October 16, 2008

**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 24**

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**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of a 12-month requirements supply and service contract with the STATE OF TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES (DIR), Austin, TX, for the purchase of computer and network (CISCO) hardware in an estimated amount not to exceed \$15,110,409 and for computer hardware and CISCO network maintenance services (SMARTnet) in an estimated amount not to exceed \$7,017,446, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$22,127,855.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$10,589,987 is available in Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budgets of various departments. Funding in the amount of \$11,532,368 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budgets of various departments. Funding in the amount of \$5,500 is available from Grants.

**Fiscal Note:** Fiscal notes are attached.

**For More Information:** Mick Osborne, Sr. Buyer Specialist/974 2995

**Purchasing Language:** Cooperative Purchase.

**MBE/WBE:** This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). This contract is a Cooperative Purchase; therefore, it is exempted under Chapter 791 of the Texas Local Government Code and no goals were established for this solicitation.

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This contract is to enable City departments to purchase various computer hardware products and maintenance services including, but not limited to, desktop PCs, laptop computers, servers, tablet computers, rugged laptops, thin client terminals, data storage systems, storage area networks, networking equipment, and mobile computer mounts through the Department of Information Resources. This contract will also include CISCO Networking products and SMARTnet maintenance services for the City's Local and Wide Area Networks. Switches, routers, and other equipment is used to interconnect desktop computers, servers, and printers throughout the City and to transmit and receive information via the internet.

DIR has continued to provide additional products and services through its program at competitively bid discounted prices. The purchasing power of the State of Texas is used to leverage purchasing effectiveness. Communications and Technology Management (CTM) reviews and approves technology purchases for all General Fund and Support Services Departments. All technology requests will undergo technology review to ensure compliance with citywide standards and technology compatibility with existing systems.